release more Ganga water from the upper stream i.e. from Uttar Pradesh and Bihar for Calcutta Port as well for Bangladesh;

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCE (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) to (c). Sharing of flows of Ganga waters arriving at Farakka between India and Bangaldesh is presently under negotiation with Bangladesh.

Farakka Water Sharing

2515. SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the present Government of Bangaldesh had initiated any talk on the Farakka Water Sharing afresh with our Government; and

(b) if so, the outcome and the official stand of West Bengal Government in water sharing formula of Farakka barrage with Bangladesh?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Discussions are continuing for working out a mutually acceptable solution for sharing of Ganga Waters at Farakka. Representatives from West Bengal are associated in these discussions.

IGNCA

2516. SHRI SYDAIAH KOTA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indira Gandhi National Centre of the Arts (IGNCA) has framed any guidelines for apointment of Trustees;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the institution has appointed life time trustees;

(d) if so, whether the guidelines have been followed in that regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) and (b). The Trustees of the IGNCA are appointed in accordance with the Deed of Declaration of the Trust.

(c) Yes please.

(d) and (e). In accordance with the provisions of the Deed of Declaration, the Trust in its meeting held on 18.5.1995, carried out certain amendments making six founder Trustees as Life Trustees.

Health Services

2517. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA
JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "still on the sick bed" appearing in Times of India, dated September 8, 1996;

(b) if so, whether World Health Organisation has suggested that at least 5% of G.D.P. of the country should be spent on health;

(c) if so, whether the expenditure on health has been average 3% of the G.D.P. during the last three years in the country; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). World Health Organisation have recommended that atleast 5% to GDP should be allocated for Health. According to the World Development Report 1993 the percentage of GDP (1990) spent on Health in India is 6% with 1.3% in public sector and 4.7% in private sector. However, the total Plan outlay for Health & Family Welfare sectors in the country during the last three years have been a little over 3% of the total Plan outlays of the country.

[Translation]

Health for All

2518. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made in the scheme 'Health for all by 2000' in the country;

(b) the details of arrangement being made to provide health facility in every village;

(c) the role given to Ayurvedic doctors and medicines to achieve this target;

(d) the alternative health scheme introduced for the villages in place of mobile doctor scheme which had been abolished;

(e) the details of programmes being implemented to provide meternity facility in each village; and

(f) the role being played by the voluntary health organisations in different fields of health?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) to (f). A review of the progress in achievement of the goals set out in the National Health

Policy 1983 indicates that only some of the goals like infant mortality rate, Crude Death Rate, life expectency at birth, immunisation goals for pregnant women and infants and elimination of leprosy could be fully achieved by the year 2000 A.D.

A huge rural health network comprising of 1,32,727 Sub-Centre, 21,853 Primary Health Centres and 2,424 Community Health Centres as on 1.4.96 has been set up throughout the country to provide comprehensive health care in rural areas. The hospitals at the secondary level are also being strengthened in a phased manner by availing external assistance by some States. This is aimed at improving access to health care in rural areas where women's needs have also been addressed.

Emphasis has been given for development of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy to widen the network for the delivery of the health care services to the people. Programmes are under implementation to control/eradicate communicable and non-communicable diseases like Malaria, Tuberculosis, Leprosy, Blindness, AIDS, cancer etc. Under the Family Welfare Programme emphasis has been given for child survival and safe motherhood including immunisation and safe delivery. Involvement of NGOs/voluntary organisation is also being encouraed to provide comprehensive health care to the people particularly in the blindness, leprosy and family welfare programmes.

Expenditure on N.Hs in UP

2519. SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of National Highways falling under Khurja region of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the amount spent on the maintenance of these National Highways during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government are aware of the fact that the Ghaziabad-Dadri-Sikandarabad Bulandshahar, N.H. is in a dilapidated condition;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(e) whether the Government propose to formulate any special scheme for proper maintenance of above National Highways;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b). No National Highway falls under Khurja region in the State of U.P.

(c) Ghaziabad-Dadri-Sikandrabad-Bullandshahar Road in U.P. is not a National Highway.

(d) to (g). Do not arise in view of (c) above.

15.00 hrs.

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : Now, we will take up Papers to be laid on the Table.

SHRI RAM NAIK (Mumbai North) : Sir, I am on a point of order. In today's List of Business, the Bill shown earlier as 'Constitution (Eightieth Amendment) Bill, 1996' has not been shown. The agenda is suddenly changed and Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) have been included for discussion. If the agenda items are changed so often, it becomes very difficult for us to manage it. How can we tell our speakers to be ready for that? That was brought last time. But now it has again been changed. There should be some consistency in the List of Business.

Now, if Supplementary Demands for Grants of Rs. 4,000 crore are to be discussed are just brought casually like this, it becomes very difficult. We should get some advance intimation.

MR. SPEAKER : We will take up the Supplementary Demands for Grants day after tomorrow. Is it ail right. Mr. Naik?

SHRI RAM NAIK : Yes.

15.01 hrs.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Memorandum of understanding between the Hindustan Aerønautics Limited and the Department of Defence Production and Supplies for the year 1996-97.

[Translation]

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MULAYAM SINGH YADAV) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to lay on the Table of the House a copy (Hindi and English Versions) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited and Department of Defence Production and Supplies for the year 1996-97.

[Placed in Library See No. LT-820/96]

Annual Report and Review by the Government of the working of the National Institute of Public Co-operation and Child Development, New Delhi for the year 1994-95 etc.

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : Sir, I beg to lay on the Table -

(1) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) (Volume-I and II) of the National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development, New Delhi, for the year 1994-95, alongwith Audited Accounts.